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TO: Iowa Medicaid Hospitals, Physicians and Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: IowaCare Medical Home Coverage

EFFECTIVE: December 1, 2011

IowaCare is a limited health care benefits program that covers adults ages 19-64 who would not normally be covered by Medicaid. All services are covered within a small network of participating providers, originally limited only to Broadlawns Medical Center in Des Moines (for Polk County residents) and the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City for all other counties.

There have been significant changes in the IowaCare program over the last year and more changes are being implemented within the next few months. This letter is to recap past changes and update you on future changes:

- October 1, 2010 - the IowaCare **Medical Home** pilot was launched to provide regional access to services for IowaCare members in select counties and encourage preventative care and disease management. Two Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs); Siouxland Community Health Center in Sioux City and Peoples Community Health Clinic in Waterloo, were added to the provider network to serve as medical homes for IowaCare members in select counties.
- July 1, 2011 - the provider network was further expanded to add three additional medical homes to serve IowaCare members in select counties; Community Health Center of Fort Dodge, Primary Health Care in Marshalltown and Crescent Community Health Center in Dubuque.
- December 1, 2011 - phase one of a new regional network will be implemented (see attached IowaCare Medical Home Assignment Roll-Out Schedule). This model will:
 - Divide the state into five medical home regions. All IowaCare members will eventually be assigned to a medical home through a phased-in process. (See attached chart).
 - Add the Council Bluffs Community Health Center as a medical home.
 - Expand the role of Broadlawns Medical Center to provide hospital services to IowaCare members who are assigned to medical homes in the western half of

Iowa and to serve as a medical home to IowaCare members in counties other than Polk County.

- Expand the role of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to serve as a medical home to all IowaCare members in Region 1.
 - Medical Homes in Regions 1 and 2 will refer IowaCare members to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for all hospital care.
 - Medical Homes in Regions 3, 4 and 5 will refer IowaCare members to Broadlawns Medical Center in Des Moines for primary hospital care or to the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics for specialty or other hospital care that cannot be provided at Broadlawns.
 - When phase one is complete, IowaCare members in more than half of the State's counties will be able to access covered services through a medical home.
- January 1, 2012 – phase two will be implemented and the remaining counties of the state will be assigned to medical homes.

The IowaCare program has been instrumental in the State's health care reform initiatives and in providing health care to individuals that would otherwise have no access to any type of health care. It is intended that the program will expand to all counties using FQHCs to effectively assign every IowaCare member to a regionally located medical home by January 1, 2012.

Important coverage note: Because the medical home concept encourages preventative care and disease management through the use of incentive payments, it is required that yearly physical exams are only payable to the medical home when the member is assigned to one.

If you have any questions please contact the IME Provider Services Unit at 1-800-338-7909, locally in Des Moines at 515-256-4609 or email at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.

IowaCare Medical Home Assignment Roll-Out Schedule

(As of October 1, 2011)

Region	Medical Home(s)	Counties Currently Assigned to Medical Home(s)	Phase 1 - Counties Being Assigned December 1, 2011	Phase 2 - Counties Being Assigned January 1, 2012
#1	University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Iowa City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benton Cedar Iowa Johnson Jones Keokuk Linn Louisa Muscatine Washington 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinton Davis Des Moines Henry Jackson Jefferson Lee Poweshiek Scott Van Buren Wapello 	
#2	Peoples Community Health Center Waterloo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black Hawk Bremer Buchanan Butler 		
	Crescent Community Health Center Dubuque	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chickasaw Fayette Howard Winneshiek 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dubuque 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allamakee Clayton Delaware
#3	Primary Health Care Marshalltown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grundy 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hardin Marshall Tama
	Community Health Center of Fort Dodge Fort Dodge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cerro Gordo Floyd Franklin Mitchell Worth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webster 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calhoun Hamilton Hancock Humboldt Kossuth Pocahontas Winnebago Wright
	Siouxland Community Health Center Sioux City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cherokee Crawford Harrison Ida Lyon Monona O'Brien Osceola Plymouth Shelby Sioux Woodbury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buena Vista Carroll Clay Dickinson Sac 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emmet Palo Alto

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#4	Council Bluffs Community Health Care Council Bluffs		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audubon • Fremont • Harrison* • Mills • Montgomery • Page • Pottawattamie • Shelby* <p>* Reassigned from Region #3</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adair • Adams • Cass • Guthrie • Taylor
#5	Broadlawns Medical Center Des Moines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boone • Dallas • Jasper • Madison • Marion • Story • Warren 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appanoose • Clarke • Decatur • Greene • Lucas • Mahaska • Monroe • Ringgold • Union • Wayne